REMARKS

Claims 6-9 are pending.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges that claims 6 and 9 are allowed over the prior art of record, and that claims 7-8 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the objections under 37 C.F.R. 1.75(c).

The foregoing amendments amend claims 7 and 8 to each depend only from claim 6. They now depend from a preceding claim.

Claims 10 and 11, each dependent from claim 9, are added. They correspond to claims 7 and 8. They are deemed to be clearly allowable.

Applicant notes that the claim of priority is acknowledged and that the priority document has been received.

In view of the foregoing amendments and Remarks, applicant urges that all the pending claims define patentable subject matter over the art of record and that this application is otherwise in condition for allowance.

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Respectfully submitted,

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